

Senate Amendment 3368

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1 1 Amend House File 822, as amended, passed, and
1 2 reprinted by the House, as follows:
1 3 #1. Page 29, by inserting after line 29 the
1 4 following:
1 5 <Sec. _____. 2009 Iowa Acts, Senate File 376,
1 6 section 13, subsection 5, if enacted, is amended by
1 7 striking the subsection and replacing in lieu thereof,
1 8 the following:
1 9 <5. IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY
1 10 COMMISSION
1 11 For broadband technology grants for the deployment
1 12 and sustainability of high-speed broadband access:
1 13 \$ 25,000,000
1 14 a. It is the intent of the general assembly that
1 15 funds appropriated under this subsection for the
1 16 deployment and sustainability of high-speed broadband
1 17 access be used to access any federal funds made
1 18 available. State and federal funds made available for
1 19 broadband deployment shall be used to promote
1 20 universal access to high-speed broadband services or
1 21 used by private providers to promote telehealth
1 22 according to federal requirements throughout the state
1 23 for the benefit of Iowans and for the sustainability
1 24 of such services.
1 25 b. (1) The utilities board created in section
1 26 474.1 and the economic development board created in
1 27 section 15.103 shall establish a joint governance
1 28 board consisting of the following members:
1 29 (a) Five voting members:
1 30 (i) One member representing counties.
1 31 (ii) One member representing cities.
1 32 (iii) One member representing the department of
1 33 education.
1 34 (iv) One member representing urban residential
1 35 users in the state.
1 36 (v) One member representing rural residential
1 37 users in the state.
1 38 (b) Four nonvoting, ex officio members
1 39 representing the general assembly:
1 40 (i) Two members appointed from the senate with one
1 41 member appointed by the majority leader of the senate
1 42 and one member appointed by the minority leader of the
1 43 senate.
1 44 (ii) Two members appointed from the house of
1 45 representatives with one member appointed by the
1 46 speaker of the house and one member appointed by the
1 47 minority leader of the house.
1 48 (2) Administrative support and planning costs
1 49 incurred for the governance board shall be provided by
1 50 the economic development board. Any necessary rules
2 1 shall be adopted by the economic development board on
2 2 behalf of the governance board.
2 3 (3) A quorum of the governance board shall be a
2 4 majority of the voting members.
2 5 c. The governance board established in paragraph
2 6 "b" shall do all of the following:
2 7 (1) Establish a comprehensive plan for the
2 8 deployment and sustainability of high-speed broadband
2 9 access in areas capable of timely implementation of
2 10 such access. The plan shall be consistent with
2 11 federal requirements established for federal funds
2 12 made available for the purposes of such projects that
2 13 may be considered by the governance board.
2 14 (2) Establish a competitive process for the
2 15 disbursement of funds made available for the
2 16 deployment and sustainability of high-speed broadband
2 17 services in the form of grants. The governance board
2 18 shall only consider applications from parties seeking
2 19 to use funds for projects that are sustainable.
2 20 (a) The board shall consider only applications
2 21 submitted by qualified private providers of high-speed
2 22 broadband services or by private providers to promote
2 23 telehealth.
2 24 (b) The board may award to any one qualified

2 25 provider a grant in an amount of up to twenty percent
2 26 of the total funds appropriated.
2 27 (c) The plan shall allow for grants to projects
2 28 that are financially feasible in areas of the state
2 29 that remain unserved or underserved consistent with
2 30 federal requirements.
2 31 (3) Provide minimum broadband capacity throughout
2 32 the area consistent with any applicable state and
2 33 federal law or guidelines. The governance board shall
2 34 ensure that the minimum broadband capacity meets any
2 35 federal requirements established with regard to the
2 36 federal funds made available in the form of grants.
2 37 (4) Demonstrate that any project undertaken and
2 38 funded by the governance board shall be economically
2 39 sustainable with no further government assistance
2 40 based upon expected revenue generation.
2 41 (5) Establish and maintain separate accounts for
2 42 the use of bond proceeds and nonbond proceeds.>
2 43 [#2.](#) By renumbering as necessary.
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